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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- THE CIA IS PULLING ITS CLOAK A BIT TIGHTER. THE AGENCY ALREADY HAS HALTED PRIVATE BRIEFINGS FOR REPORTERS AND NOW IS "REVIEWING" ITS PRACTICE OF MAKING SOME OF ITS WORK AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC VIEW.

ORDERS FOR THE MOVES WERE SAID TO HAVE COME DIRECTLY FROM CIA DIRECTOR WILLIAM CASEY, CHIEF OF SECRET INTELLIGENCE IN THE WORLD WAR II OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES. HE WAS TAPPED FOR THE CIA POST AFTER SERVING AS PRESIDENT REAGAN'S CAMPAIGN MANAGER.

NO ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE ABOUT THE END OF THE REPORTERS' BRIEFINGS BY ANALYSTS AT THE CIA'S LANGLEY, VA., HEADQUARTERS, BUT A SPOKESMAN SAID: "IT IS A DECISION MADE IN THE AGENCY TO COPE WITH AN IMPOSITION ON ANALYSTS' TIME."

THE BRIEFINGS, REQUESTED BY REPORTERS, GENERALLY INVOLVED UNCLASSIFIED MATERIAL CONCERNING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AROUND THE WORLD. THE SPOKESMAN SAID 125 SUCH BRIEFINGS WERE CONDUCTED IN 1980, DOWN FROM A HIGH OF 247 IN 1975.

AS FOR EVALUATION OF NON-CLASSIFIED CIA PUBLICATIONS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID: "THERE ARE NO PRECONCEPTIONS ON THE REVIEW. IT IS A REVIEW."

THE AGENCY REGULARLY RELEASES DOCUMENTS -- EMBLAZONED WITH THE CIA SYMBOL -- THAT INCLUDE REPORTS ON SUCH SUBJECTS AS SOVIET OIL PRODUCTION, WORLD GRAIN PRODUCTION AND SOVIET WEAPONS EXPENDITURES, LISTINGS OF WORLD LEADERS AND EXCELLENT GAZETTEERS, INCLUDING DETAILED MAPS OF AREAS IN THE NEWS.

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